

## Alaska 2024

### Recreational Trails Program funded 19 projects in 2024.

***RTP Funds Total \$2,485,587.95, Other Funds (Match) Total \$969,298.70, (Non-Participating) \$0.00***

The following Recreational Trails Program projects have been approved by the Outdoor Recreational Trails Advisory Board, the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, and the USDOT, Federal Highway Administration. These are reimbursable, grant-funded projects, happening throughout the state of Alaska between 2024 and 2026.

#### Anchorage Area

##### **Chugach State Park, CSP Winter Trail Maintenance & Grooming [2024-104]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$114,602.40, Other Funds (Match) \$12,733.60 (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$127,336.00, Total Project Cost \$127,336.00 .**

Chugach State Park will purchase equipment necessary to perform routine winter maintenance (i.e. clearing trees) and grooming the trails to make the snowmobile rides safer for the public.

##### **Eagle River Chugiak Parks and Recreation, MOA, Beach Lake Park - 10-Mile Mushing Trail [2024-112]: RTP**

**Funds (Federal Award) \$231,632.65, Other Funds (Match) \$25,188.00, Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$256,820.65, Total Project Cost \$256,820.65**

Eagle River Chugiak Parks and Recreation and the Chugiak Dog Mushers Association will build new two-miles of four-season trail that will serve as wintertime dog mushing trail and soft-surface, multi-use trail during other times of year. Construction of additional trail with this grant funding along with a separate project to improve an existing eight-mile loop trail will result in a ten-mile loop trail.

##### **Girdwood Trails Committee, Girdwood Middle Iditarod National Historic Trail improvements [2024-115]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$179,745.00 Other Funds (Match) \$19,970.00 (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$199,715.00 Total Project Cost \$199,715.00**

Girdwood Trails Committee plans to restore 2.4 miles of the Girdwood Middle Iditarod National Historic Park Trail. That will include brushing, improving trail tread, adding drainage ditch lines, installing plastic culverts, and replacing broken bridges with new wood crossings.

##### **National Forest Foundation, INHT: Turnagain Pass Trail Phase 1 [2024-118]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$200,000.00 Other Funds (Match) \$697,996.70 (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$897,996.70 Total Project Cost \$897,996.70.**

National Forest Foundation plans design and build an approximately 2.5 miles stretch of the Turnagain Pass Trail on the Iditarod National Historic Trail (INHT) north from Ingram Creek. The Turnagain Pass Trail is part of a larger effort by NFF and the U.S. Forest Service to complete the Southern Trek of the Iditarod National Historic Trail.

#### Matanuska-Susitna Valley

##### **DNR DPOR - Matanuska-Susitna Region, Kesugi-Byers Winter Trail Equipment [2024-105]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$301,515.43 Other Funds (Match) \$33,501.71, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$335,017.14 Total Project Cost \$335,017.14**

DNR DPOR - Matanuska-Susitna Region plans to purchase equipment necessary to maintain, groom, and perform snow bridge building on the Kesugi to Byers Lake Snowmachine route.

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### **DNR DPOR - Matanuska-Susitna Region, Mat-Su Region Winter Trail Equipment[2024-106]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$184,150.39 Other Funds (Match) \$20,461.15, (Non-Participating) \$0.00 Total Participating Cost \$204,611.54 Total Project Cost \$204,611.54**

DNR DPOR - Matanuska-Susitna Region plans to purchase equipment to perform routine winter maintenance and grooming both motorized and non-motorized trails within Nancy Lake State Recreation area, Hatcher Pass and non-motorized trails in Denali State Park.

### **Petersville Community Non-Profit Corporation, Ground Breaking[2024-120]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$300,000.00 Other Funds (Match) \$51,022.30 (Non-Participating) \$0.00 Total Participating Cost \$351,022.30 Total Project Cost \$351,022.30.**

Petersville Community Non-Profit Corporation plans to lay a foundation to build a 40'x40' insulated maintenance facility. Phase 1 of this project will hire a surveyor to provide a plot plan for layout of building, driveway, parking, install new septic and sewer system and a well.

### **Curry Ridge Riders Friends of Denali State Park , South Denali Trail Marking and Maintenance [2024-122]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$49,583.58, Other Funds (Match) \$5,534.80, (Non-Participating) \$0.00 Total Participating Cost \$55,118.38, Total Project Cost \$55,118.38.**

Curry Ridge Riders plans to install permanent mile markers and trail markers along the East West Express, Chulitna Bluff Trail, and the Trapper Creek Winter Trail ( Rabideaux Trail). The project will include installing temporary new trail markers on the Tokositna Flats Winter Trail when Denali State Park is open for snowmobiles, removing temporary trail markers on or around March 31 of each year and deadfall from the trail system.

## **Interior Alaska**

### **DNR DPOR - Northern Region, Chena River State Recreation Area Trails Maintenance[2024-103]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$74,260.63 Other Funds (Match) \$8,251.18 (Non-Participating) \$0.00 Total Participating Cost \$82,511.81, Total Project Cost \$82,511.81.**

DNR DPOR - Northern Region plans to purchase equipment to groom and repair damaged trail tread for approximately 73 miles of trail within the Chena River State Recreation Area. The purchased equipment will groom and brush both snowmachine and cross-country ski trails, and transport materials and personnel for repair on the Angel Creek Trail.

### **Fairbanks Cycle Club, Happy Valley Single-track Repairs & Features [2024-117]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$143,280.00, Other Funds (Match) \$15,920.00(Non-Participating) \$0.00 Total Participating Cost \$159,200.00, Total Project Cost \$159,200.00.**

Fairbanks Cycle Club plans to conduct routine maintenance on the existing tread of the Happy Valley Single-track mountain biking trail and add technical trail features consistent with original sustainable intermediate trail specifications on the existing 10' trail easement.

**Southwest/ Kodiak**

**DNR DPOR - Southwest Region, Afognak Island Trail Improvements [2024-102]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$93,459.00 Other Funds (Match) \$10,385.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$103,844.00, Total Project Cost \$103,844.00.**

DNR DPOR - Southwest Region plans to repair Afognak Island Trails install trail signage, and replace critical trail equipment. Trail system consists of about 5 miles of trails in the immediate vicinity of four public use cabins and about 100 miles of old logging road. Of this 15-20 miles of trail needs new signs and maintenance to connect important areas such as Portage Lake, Otter Lake, Discoverer Bay , etc.

**DNR DPOR - Southwest Region, Shuyak Island Trail and Portage improvements [2024-107]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$108,000.00 Other Funds (Match) \$12,000.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost 120,000.00 Total Project Cost \$120,000.00**

DNR DPOR - Southwest Region plans to improve trails and portage systems on Snuyak island State Park. This will include trail repairs, signage installation as well as replacing critical trail equipment .This 15-mile trail system connects wilderness terrains of lakes, bays, ocean beaches, capes, public use cabins and is popular for hikers, kayakers, and backpackers.

**DNR DPOR - Southwest Region, Wood River Lakes Water Trail Winter Access improvements[2024-111]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$157,500.00 Other Funds (Match) \$17,500.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$175,000.00, Total Project Cost \$175,000.00**

DNR DPOR - Southwest Region plans to improve winter access for snowmachine use of the 85 miles Wood River Lakes Water Trail system in Wood-Tickchik State Park by purchasing equipment to keep the parking lot cleared of snow and ice at the trail head, and replacing existing signage with new signs and markers at key locations on the trail to increase safety and accessibility for trail users.

**Southeast**

**DNR DPOR - Southeast Region, Totem Bight Parking Lot Repair [2024-108]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$26,703.00 Other Funds (Match) \$2,967.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$29,670.00, Total Project Cost \$29,670.00**

DNR DPOR - Southeast Region plans to repair Totem Bight Trail Access Parking lot by patching holes, chip seal and heat stripe of the paved portion of the parking lot.

**DNR DPOR - Southeast Region, Totem Bight Totem Pole Repair [2024-109]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$99,225.00 Other Funds (Match) \$11,025.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$110,250.00 Total Project Cost \$110,250.00.**

DNR DPOR - Southeast Region plans to build a foundation with a vertical support steel beam, move the totem out of the restoration building and install it on the constructed base. Another totem pole will be removed from its current displayed location and brought to the restoration building for repair.

**DNR DPOR - Southeast Region, Totem Bight Trail Accessibility Project [2024-110]:**

**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$179,731.37 Other Funds (Match) \$19,969.04, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**

**Total Participating Cost \$199,700.41, Total Project Cost \$199,700.41**

DNR DPOR - Southeast Region plans to improve the Totem Bight State Historical Park trails and ADA accessibility. The project includes trail grading within ADA guidelines to improve wheel chair mobility, installing benches every 50 feet, restoring damaged and worn portions of the grand deck, adding a metal hand railing, removing hazard trees, adding trail edging, restoring trail rope posts, replacing existing wood box culverts, and adding three plastic culverts.

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### Kenai Peninsula/Valdez

**Cooper Landing Community Club, Cooper Landing Trails Snow Grooming Equipment [2024-114]:**  
**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$34,297.00 Other Funds (Match) \$3,864.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**  
**Total Participating Cost \$38,161.00, Total Project Cost \$38,161.00.**

Cooper Landing Community Club plans to purchase equipment necessary to perform routine winter maintenance and grooming at the Russian River Campground, Crescent Creek Campground and Trailhead, and Devils Creek Trailhead.

**Valdez Adventure Alliance, Guide Expansion & Education Outreach [2024-116]:**  
**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$7,902.50 Other Funds (Match) \$1,009.22 (Non-Participating) \$0.00**  
**Total Participating Cost \$8,911.72, Total Project Cost \$8,911.72**

Valdez Adventure Alliance plans to expand the current field guide and add pages on building, tsunamis, terrain, and five more plants, including production and distribution of a brochure about economic benefits of trails.

### Statewide

**DNR DPOR, FY2024 RTP Administrative Allowance [2024-100]:**  
**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$106,955.00, Other Funds (Match) \$10,617.00, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**  
**Total Participating Cost \$117,572.00, Total Project Cost \$117,572.00**

This grant covers expenditures for administering the Recreational Trails Program. These costs include paying the wages of grants administration to administer the Recreational Trails Program awards, and administrative and accounting staff for billings, reimbursements, and accounting needs. This grant also pays for the expenses associated with the federally request on Outdoor Recreational Trails Advisory Board to attend their annual meeting in Anchorage.

**DNR DPOR Interpretation & Education Section, Bird Point Education Project - Phase2 [2024-101]:**  
**RTP Funds (Federal Award) \$76,882.00 Other Funds (Match) \$8,538.76, (Non-Participating) \$0.00**  
**Total Participating Cost \$85,420.76, Total Project Cost \$85,420.76.**

DNR DPOR Interpretation and Education Section plans to design and fabricate ten (10) educational panels and one(1) bulletin board to both replace and add to the current signage at the overlook at Bird Point. An additional spotting scope (1) will be placed at this location and receive new scope heads and lenses.